[Mr. A. S. Damodaran Asan.]

(*a*) whether the grant-in-aid school teachers who have been granted license for teaching, were eligible for appointment in departmental schools even after the completion of 25 years of age without getting exemption from the age-bar rules;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether that privilege of the licensed teachers was withdrawn subsequently; and

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, the date of the subsequent order and the reason for issuing the same?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*b*).

Completion of the ring-bund near Arattukadavu in the Mavelikara taluk.

332. ***MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received memorials and petitions from the ryots with regard to the losses sustained by them owing to the non-completion, before the floods of 1108, of the ring-bund near Arattukadavu in the Mavelikara taluk; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether the above work is ordered to be completed before the floods of 1109?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

Tuberculosis Sanatorium in Travancore.

333. ***MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara II*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware that the public have long been pressing them for the opening of a Tuberculosis Sanatorium in Travancore owing to the large number of tuberculosis patients in the State?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes; the selection of a suitable site for a Tuberculosis Hospital in South Travancore is under the consideration of Government.

Assistant Surgeons in the Medical Department.

334. ***MR. K. PADMNABHAN** (*Chirayinkil I*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table:

(*a*) copy of the waiting list kept by the Medical Department of qualified applicants for Assistant Surgeon's posts, together with the date of passing the examination and the date of application for appointment in each case; and

(*b*) a statement giving the names, the date of qualifying, the date of applying and the date of entertainment of persons appointed in the grade of Assistant Surgeons during the last six years?

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